
Title: The Horsemen of Oblivion

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The Horsemen are pure manifestations of Oblivion. They represent the four age-old scourges of mankind: Death, Famine, Pestilence and War. They are niether mortal nor Undead, for the alive and have never experienced death. They are made of the raw stuff of Oblivion, negative energy made in the image of their prey.

Horsemen were forged of Enthropy in an aeon lost to mankind, and will retain their exalted status for time immemorial. The balance of power is continually shifting among these evil entities, according to the task at are never seen to disagree with one another or squabble over authority; each understands that, within his domain, his rule is absolute. Each wreaks terror according to his means, and the end result is invariably one of the utmost misery for all man kind.

Every one of the four Horsemen is unique in appearance, mannerisms, and fighting styles. Here follows a brief explanation of each. Much of what is known of the Horsemen of Oblivion is sepculation, though it is known for certain that all are masters in the arts of destruction. As a side note, it is also known that all can converse with the dead.

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## **PESTILENCE**

"I looked, and there before me was a white horse. It's rider was given a bow, and he rode out as Pestilence, bent on conquest."

Disease and plague have stricken the wourld countless times and will continue to do so as long as there is life to infect. Plants, animals, humans and monsters alike fall victim to Pestilence. None save the dead and Undead are immune to it's vile workings. Riding upon a white horse of conquest, the Horseman of Pestilence wears bronze platemail and green clothing. He strikes down his victims using his vile blow, concentrated poisons, and life draining spells.

WAR

"Then another horse came out, a firy red one. It's rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make men slay each other. To him was gien a large sword." There will always be war in the lands of Sosaria. Throughout it's history the land has been consumed in strife, and this turmoil shall continue until Oblivion claims all. It is mankind's very nature to war with his neighbor. The houreman of War

personifies this, and as such is always quick to temper and ever ready to slay his victims. War appears riding a red horse and wearing red clothing and platemail, his weapon of choice being the viking sword. He is occasionally seen wielding a great shield in addition to the sword, though this is seldom. War is highly proficient in the use and lore of all weapons, and casts spells which cause direct harm to his enemies or protect him from harm. He is known to be at leaste partially invulnerable to the magic of mortals, and has the ability to incite men to arms.

**FAMINE** 

"I looked, and there before me was a dark horse. It's rider was Famine, and he was holding a pare of scales in his hand."

Hunger, loss and despair-all things associated with Famine. Crops wither, food becomes sparse, and morale diminishes to hoplessness. No civilation can hold Famine at bay reserves, no matter how vast, can hope to stand against it. Intire cities, countries, and worlds have succumbed to Famine's unrelenting stranglehold. The Horseman of Famine's withered form is seen covered in clothing and leather armor, sometimes adorned with metal studs, below his skeletal visage.

Famine may be seen using any weapon. His horse is the wasted brown color of the land he corrupts, and his skills reflect the nature of loss and hunger. He is a thief of skill unimaginable to mankind, and his ability to curse and provoe emotion from men is the stuff of nightmares.

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you see a picture depicting the four standing silouetted against a dark turmoil filled sky

DEATH

"I looked and there before me was a pale horse. It's rider named Death, and Hell followed close behind him."

Perhaps the most feared of all the Horsemen is Death. Riding a pale horse in his skeletal glory he comes for the living, claims their souls with his acythe and consigns them to Oblivion. Some say this Horseman is the offspring of Old Grim himself. Death is always seen adorned in black robes and bone armor, and he wields baneful scythe.

His horse is of the pale gray variant, never any other color. His knowledge of human anatomy is unparalleled, and he is said to forsee the future through the study of corpses. He is a master of both his of Necromancy.

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